

**CITY OF CENTRAL POINT
BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING
Biennial Budget 2019- 2021
May 6, 2019 at 6:00 pm**

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Chairman Mike Quilty called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

II. INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS

III. ROLL CALL

Council Members

Tanea Browning
Kelley Johnson
Rob Hernandez
Mike Parsons
Brandon Thueson
Hank Williams

Citizen Members

Lori Garfield
Kay Harrison
Jim Mock
Mike Quilty
Chris Richey
Bill Stults
Bill Walton

City Staff

Chris Clayton, City Manager
Steve Weber, Finance Director
Tom Humphrey, Community Develop Director
Kris Allison, Police Chief
Jason Richmond, Technical Services Director
Dave Croft, Captain
Stephanie Holtey, Principal Planner
Derek Zwagerman, Building Division Manager
Debbie Dunlap, Accountant

Budget committee members not present: Neil Olsen

Prior to beginning the presentation of the proposed budgets City Manager, Chris Clayton clarified when expanding the Urban Growth Boundary existing roads become the responsibility of the city upon the expansion, however, the lands become city responsibility upon annexation.

IV. PRESENTATION OF PROPOSED BUDGETS

CITY ENHANCEMENT

Mr. Clayton presented the City Enhancement proposed budget. He noted community events, as well as, events promoted by tourism.

Rich Hanson, Grant Writer for St. Vincent De Paul conveyed his appreciation for the cooperation and partnership with the city in helping to ease homelessness by keeping the working poor in their homes. St. Vincent De Paul operates on a \$1.5 million budget with 300 volunteers. They offer rental and utility assistance. They also work in cooperation with other local agencies such as ACCESS and United Way as well as other governments such as City of Medford and City of Ashland.

Stephanie Hendrickson, Executive Director for the Central Point Chamber and Visitor Information Center, spoke about some of the new programs and changes at the Chamber and the increase in membership.

TECHNICAL SERVICES

Technical Services Director Jason Richmond presented the Technical Services proposed budget. Mr. Richmond indicated the major focus for the next several years is on upgrading the Shortel Phone System, Security Camera System, Police vehicle computers, Citywide desktop computers, and Police records management to name a few. Mr. Richmond highlighted budget changes notably a 30% increase for travel and training to attend Police and Public Work conferences which staff previously had not been attending.

POLICE SERVICES

Captain Dave Croft presented the Police budget, covering department highlights. Included in this budget is the addition of 1 new police officer position, replacement of 15 patrol vehicles and replacement of mobile radios for dispatch communication. Captain Croft also commented on the benefits of our partnership with the US Marshalls and the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA).

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – PLANNING DIVISION

Community Development Director Tom Humphrey presented the Planning Division budget. He discussed the overall goals of the department. He also highlighted the need to create additional available land inventory to attract businesses and developers, amending the Urban Growth Boundary, engaging the public, and maintaining a “small town feel”. Mr. Humphrey also noted upcoming personnel transitions and needs of the department.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - BUILDING FUND

Mr. Humphrey then presented the Building Division budget. He noted the purpose of the Building Department is to promote the health, welfare and safety of current and future residents and businesses. Administer state building and safety codes. Mr. Humphrey discussed construction trends and presented highlights contained in the proposed budget.

Motion by Mike Parsons, seconded by Kay Harrison to approve the budgets as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

V. MOTION TO APPROVE TAX RATE

Chairman Mike Quilty requested the budget committee approve the tax rate levy of \$4.47 per thousand, with no change in the rate from the previous year.

Kelley Johnson moved to approve the tax rate as presented. Tanea Browning seconded the motion. The motion carried.

VI. ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING

Chairman Mike Quilty announced the budget meeting will continue on May 13th at 6:00 p.m.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

I hereby certify that the minutes for the 2019/2021 budget meeting are accurate as outlined above.


Kelley Johnson
Secretary
2019/2021 Budget Committee

Dated 5-13-19

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